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**BOTTLES** 

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AT THIS TIME THERE ARE NO KNOWN COMMERCIAL PRODUCERS OF BIODEBRADABLE BOTTLES IN THE UNITED STATES. A BIODEBRADABLE POLYMER CALLED POLYCAPROLACTONE WAS DEVELOPED BY UNION CARBIDE CORP., 270 PARK AVE., NEW YORK, NEW YORK 10017. BIO-DEGRADABLE PLASTICS, INC., P.O. BOX 7981, BOISE IDAHO 83707 PRODUCES ADDITIVES CALLED "STY-GRADE" FOR USE IN POLYSTYRENE PRODUCTS AND "POLY-GRADE" FOR USE IN POLYETHYLENE THAT ARE CALAIMED TO SPEED-UP THE DEGRADATION OF THEIR PLASTICS. A PHOTODEGRADABLE PLASTIC CALLED "ECOLYTE" IS PRODUCED IN THE UNITED STATES BY VAN LEER-ECOPLASTICS, LTD., 41 WEST PUTNAM AVE., GREENWICH, CONN. 06830. INGERSOLL

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